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THREE LEE'S SUMMIT RESIDENTS INDICTED FOR METH CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that three Lee's Summit, Mo., residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today for participating in a conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine.

Bruce E. Williamson, 44, Erica J. Duncan, 22, and Wesley J. Durham, 21, all of Lee's Summit, were charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that all three defendants participated in a conspiracy to manufacture and distribute five grams or more of methamphetamine between Nov. 1, 2003, and Dec. 12, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that all three defendants attempted to manufacture methamphetamine between Nov. 1, 2003, and Dec. 12, 2003.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that all three defendants were in possession of pseudoephedrine with intent to manufacture methamphetamine on Dec. 12, 2003.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Williamson** maintained a place at 119 S.E. Oxford Place in Lee's Summit for the purpose of manufacturing methamphetamine.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph M. Marquez. It was investigated by the Lee's Summit, Mo., Police Department and the Jackson County Drug

Task Force.

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